

House Bill 791 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

By: Representatives Amerson of the 9<sup>th</sup>, Day of the 163<sup>rd</sup>, Burkhalter of the 50<sup>th</sup>, Keen of the 179<sup>th</sup>, Coleman of the 97<sup>th</sup>, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 holidays and observances, so as to declare the third Monday in October "School Bus Drivers  
3 Appreciation Day"; to make certain findings of fact; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other  
4 purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 WHEREAS, every day, a fleet of yellow school buses transport Georgia's children to and  
8 from school carrying the state's future—our children; and

9 WHEREAS, the state's school bus drivers are entrusted with the lives of our children, and  
10 they have proven worthy of our trust day after day, year in and year out, in spite of low  
11 wages and lower retirement benefits; and

12 WHEREAS, Georgia's school bus drivers deserve recognition and appreciation for their  
13 sense of duty and their sense of obligation in keeping our children safe; and

14 WHEREAS, it is only right and proper that the citizens of this state take a few moments each  
15 year to thank our school bus drivers.

16 **SECTION 2.**

17 Chapter 4 of Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to holidays and  
18 observances, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

19 "1-4-17.

20 The third Monday in October of every year is designated 'School Bus Drivers Appreciation  
21 Day' in Georgia."

- 1 **SECTION 3.**
- 2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.